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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub.: Call for Contributions: Asia/Pacific Customs News – Issue no. 74 - "Navigating the E-commerce Landscape: Innovations and Collaborations" – reg.

The undersigned is directed to inform that the World Customs Organization Asia-Pacific Vice-Chair (WCO APVC) has invited contributions/submissions for the upcoming Issue #74 of the Asia/Pacific (A/P) Customs News publication.

- 2. The theme for this issue is "Navigating the E-commerce Landscape: Innovations and Collaborations". WCO has invited articles that explore:
 - The impact of e-commerce on customs operations and the broader supply chain.
 - Innovative practices and strategies in customs administrations to address e-commerce challenges.
 - Collaborative efforts between customs authorities, private sectors, and other third parties to navigate the opportunities and complexities of the ecommerce landscape.
- 3. Articles, on following lines, are invited for the New Issue no. 74:

A. Thematic Articles:

Articles aligned with the theme, "Navigating the E-commerce Landscape: Innovations and Collaborations", should adhere to the following guidelines:

- Headline: 5-10 words

- Article Description/Caption (if relevant): 25-50 words

- Article Length: 250-600 words
- Images/Photos: Please attach separate JPEG or PNG files (300 dpi resolution) or embed high-resolution images in the **editable soft-copy document**, including individual photo captions.

B. Additional Articles

Articles (approximately 400 words each) on general customs news from August 2024 to January 2025. Suggested topics include:

- Innovative initiatives or best practices in the region
- Updates on regional customs activities
- Capacity-building and enhancement efforts
- Upcoming events calendar
- A regional photo gallery showcasing customs activities and cultural highlights
- 4. In this context, it is requested to submit article(s)/news/photos through **e-mail to indiawco-cbec@nic.in by 30.01.2025**. The submissions should be sent in an **editable format**. The officers are advised not to send their article(s)/news/photos to WCO A/P Vice-Chair directly. The same will be sent to WCO APVC after requisite approvals.

(Vivek Kumar) Deputy Commissioner

To,

- 1. All Members of CBIC.
- 2. All Pr. Chief Commissioners/ Chief Commissioners of Customs and Customs (Preventive).
- 3. All Pr. Chief Commissioners/ Chief Commissioners of Customs and Central Tax.
- 4. All Pr. Directors General/ Directors General.
- 5. All Joint Secretaries/Commissioners working in the Board.
- 6. Web Manager, CBIC with request to upload it on the CBIC website.